### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

) No. 03 MDL 1570 (GBD/FM)

ECF Case

### This document relates to:

ASHTON, et al. v. AL QAEDA ISLAMIC ARMY, et al.,

Case No. 02-CV-6977;

BURNETT, et al. v. AL BARAKA INVESTMENT & DEVELOPMENT CORP., et al., Case No. 03-CV-5738;

CONTINENTAL CASUALTY Co., et al. v. AL QAEDA ISLAMIC ARMY, et al., Case No. 04-CV-05970;

EURO BROKERS, INC., et al. v. AL BARAKA INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT CORP., et al., Case No. 04-CV-07279;

FEDERAL INSURANCE CO., et al. v. AL QAIDA, et al.,

Case No. 03-CV-6978; and

WORLD TRADE CENTER PROPERTIES LLC, et al. v. AL BARAKA INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT CORP., et al., Case No. 04-CV-07280.

### DECLARATION OF ALAN R. KABAT IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT PEROUZ SEDAGHATY'S RULE 72 OBJECTIONS

I am an attorney licensed to practice in the District of Columbia and am admitted *pro hac vice* in this matter. I am with the law firm of Bernabei & Wachtel, PLLC, counsel to defendant Perouz Sedaghaty. I submit this declaration to transmit to the Court the following documents submitted in support of Mr. Sedaghaty's Rule 72 Objections (Dec. 6, 2011):

- 1. Exhibit A is a copy of excerpts from U.S. District Judge Hogan's Order on pretrial motions in <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO (Doc. No. 407) (D. Or. Aug. 11, 2010).
- 2. Exhibit B is a copy of excerpts from a pretrial brief submitted by the government in <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO (Doc. No. 225) (D. Or. Sept. 25, 2009).
  - 3. Exhibit C is a copy of excerpts from the witness list submitted by the government

in United States v. Sedaghaty, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO (Doc. No. 293) (D. Or. Mar. 17, 2010).

- 4. Exhibit D is a copy of excerpts from the transcript of the sentencing proceedings, in <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO (D. Or. Sept. 27, 2011).
- 5. Exhibit E is a copy of the Plaintiffs' First Set of Requests for Production of Documents Directed to Perouz Sedaghaty (Dec. 10, 2010).

I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Executed on December 6, 2011.

Alan R. Kabat

### Exhibits to Rule 72 Objections (Dec. 6, 2011)

- A. <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO, Order (Doc. No. 407) (D. Or. Aug. 11, 2010) (excerpts).
- B. <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO, Government's Response (Doc. No. 225) (D. Or. Sept. 25, 2009) (excerpts).
- C. <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO, Government's Amended Witness List (Doc. No. 293) (D. Or. Mar. 17, 2010).
- D. <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO, Transcript of Sentencing Proceedings (D. Or. Sept. 27, 2011) (excerpts).
- E. Plaintiffs' First Set of Requests for Production of Documents Directed to Perouz Sedaghaty (Dec. 10, 2010).

### Exhibit A

Order,
United States v. Sedaghaty, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO
(Doc. No. 407) (D. Or. Aug. 11, 2010)
(excerpts)

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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

EUGENE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	Cr. No. 05-60008-HC	)
Plaintiff,	)	ORDER	
v.	)		
PIROUZ SEDAGHATY, et al.,	)		
Defendants.	)		
	)		

Before the court are several pending matters in need of resolution prior to commencing trial in this matter.

## A. Motion for Further Disclosure From the Government (#304 and #309)

In his "initial potential witness list" and his initial "potential exhibit list," defendant maintains that the government should be required to provide its anticipated rebuttal and

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The government's proposed expert, Evan Kohlmann, will testify regarding history of the Chechan and Russian conflict and the role of the mujahideen in that conflict, funding practices of certain Islamic charities, the background of Al Haramain and its alleged support of terrorist financing, and the use of internet technology to support the mujahideen. Kohlmann is qualified by education and experience to testify in these areas. See, e.g., Resume of Evan Francis Kohlmann (attached to Government's Response to motion for a Daubert Hearing (#344) (degree in international politics with emphasis in international security studies, senior investigator with the Nine/Eleven Finding Answers Foundation, founder of globalterroralert.com, consultant for the Office of the High Representative in Bosni-Herzegovina, etc.). Kohlman is also wellrecognized as an expert in these areas. <u>See, e.g., United States</u> v. Abu Jihaad (D. CN) Crim. No. 3:07-CR-57-MRK (testified in case regarding providing classified information to publication entity operating jihadist websites); United States v. Ahmed (N.D. GA) 1:06-CR-147-WSDGGB (testified in case regarding casing and videotaping monuments and other sites in Washington, D.C., as targets and sending the videos to known terrorists, who stored and distributed multiple videos of violent jihad); United States v. Amawi (N.D. OH) 3:06-CR-719 (testified in case regarding conspiracy to kill U.S. soldiers in Iraq, recruitment of persons to join jihad in Iraq, providing material support, downloading website materials

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Haramain, the likelihood that defendant Sedaghaty was under surveillance, and the trustworthiness of the FSB.

Lang is a retired intelligence officer with prior experience in the Middle East. Accordingly, he has experience in understanding Muslim culture, Russian intelligence gathering techniques, Al-Haramain, and surveillance techniques. Much of the proposed testimony is relevant to negating the government's theory in this case. However, any testimony regarding defendant Sedaghaty's specific willfulness with respect to the distribution of funds at issue will not be allowed. Lang can, nonetheless, testify generally regarding how one may seek to hide terrorist funding and actions inconsistent with such deceit. Additionally, Lang may testify about control of funds by terrorist organizations generally.

Lang's expertise is sufficient to allow him to testify regarding Muslim hostility toward Russia and to the extent he is aware that Muslims would thus have pro-Chechan material, he may so testify. Lang may also testify as to the general tenants of Muslim obligations, but not defendant's adherence specifically.

Lang's testimony regarding surveillance is relevant to Sedaghaty's belief that he was aware of alleged surveillance, but Lang may not offer an opinion as to defendant's knowledge of such surveillance. So limited, the government's motion is otherwise denied.

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time it took to bring this case forward. Defendant agrees that so long as the government does not offer evidence of flight, then he will not need to raise this issue or the issue of his voluntary return. The motion is granted on this issue.

# 5. References to Defendant's Attempts to Condemn Osama bin Laden, the Bombings of the U.S. Embassies in East Africa, and the Terrorist Attacks of September 11, 2001

The government seeks to exclude exhibits offered to show defendant sought to condemn acts of terrorism. The defense theory will apparently be that Sedaghaty was a peaceful man and that such rebuts the willfulness element. The government opened the door by making this case about the Chechan Mujahideen. Defendant, nonetheless, has a difficult task in arguing that the statements are offered merely for the fact that they were made rather than the truth of the matter asserted. A strong jury instruction may be necessary if defendant wants to go with peaceful nature theory and use the condemnations not for the truth but to show that they were said. The motion is denied.

### 6. <u>Classified Evidence</u>

The court does not, at this stage, intend to allow any classified evidence to be presented to the jury. The motion is granted without prejudice.

### **Exhibit B**

Government's Response,

<u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO
(Doc. No. 225) (D. Or. Sept. 25, 2009)
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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### DISTRICT OF OREGON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PIROUZ SEDAGHATY,

٧.

Defendant.

CR 05-60008-02-HO

GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL BASIS FOR SUPPRESSION OF SEIZED COMPUTER INFORMATION

### I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Both the United States of America and the Russian Federation have an interest in preventing the financing of terrorist activity and in stopping the provision of material support to terrorist organizations in all parts of the world, including in that part of the Russian Federation

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called Chechnya. That mutual interest has been long-term. Conflict in the Caucasus region of the Russian Federation has waxed and waned since at least the mid-1990s. Indeed, as recently as last month, a suicide bombers killed eight policemen in two separate incidents in Chechnya. The president of Russian Republic of Ingushetia which neighbors Chechnya was seriously injured in a bomb attack in June 2009. An Islamic terrorist group with roots in Chechnya claimed responsibility for that attack.

As alleged in the indictment, in the year 2000 the Al Haramain organization which was headquartered in Saudi Arabia, and whose U.S. branch (Al Haramain USA) was then operated by defendant Sedaghaty in Ashland, Oregon, was involved in encouraging donations to support the so-called "mujahideen" fighting Russian forces in Chechnya. The conspiracy alleged in the indictment was formed for the purpose of covering up Al Haramain's provision of "charitable" funds to the Chechen mujahideen.

In December 2008, representatives of the United States, including the prosecution team in this matter, met in Moscow with representatives of the Russian Federation, including the Russian Security Service often referred to as the "FSB," to exchange information and evidence concerning the activities of Al Haramain in the Caucasus region of the Russian Federation. In defendant's pleading entitled "Post-Hearing Additional Specification of Basis for Suppression Based on Dissemination of Information to Russian FSB and Request for Discovery" (CR 205),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Police killed by Chechen suicide bomber," August 25, 2009, accessed at cnn.com on September 24, 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Chechen militants claim responsibility for Siberia Dam Disaster," August 21, 2009, accessed at www.france 24.com on August 24, 2009.

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(B) information, whether or not concerning a United States person, with respect to a foreign power or foreign territory that relates to –

- (i) the national defense or security of the United States; or
- (ii) the conduct of the foreign affairs of the United States.

It requires little imagination to see how information in Al Haramain USA's computers concerning (1) killed and captured Russian soldiers, (2) how persons in the United States were encouraging and supporting so-called "mujahideen soldiers fighting jihad in Chechnya," and (3) the translation of such material into Russian was information with respect to a foreign power and territory that related to the conduct of foreign affairs of the United States and was relevant to the ability of the United States to prevent the threat of future international terrorism.

Defense counsel attempts to minimize the significance of this information because of its age. The computers were seized and imaged in 2004, only five years ago. As noted earlier, the Russian government to this very day is struggling with extremist activity in the Caucasus. Just as the United States would have an interest in five to ten-year old information concerning the recruitment of individuals by Al Qaida, certainly the Russian government would be interested in the recruitment and support of jihadists in Chechnya just five to ten years ago.

The defendant's citation to the rules of grand jury secrecy do not compel a contrary conclusion. First, the computer material seized pursuant to a Rule 41 criminal search warrant does not even implicate the rules of grand jury secrecy since the seizure was not "a matter occurring before the grand jury" for which an obligation of secrecy is imposed under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 6(e)(2)(B). But even if the rule of grand jury secrecy did apply,

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Rule 6(e) has been amended to allow for disclosure to a foreign government official along the same lines as discussed above. See Fed. R. Crim. P. 6(e)(3)(A)(ii) and (D).

Far from being "outrageous," cooperation between the United States and foreign government partners should be encouraged as a matter of public policy. Indeed, reliance upon the reports of the computer forensic officials of foreign government has been found to be the basis for establishing probable cause in an application for a search warrant. *United States v. Cartier*, 543 F.3d 442, 446-447 (10th Cir. 2008), *cert. denied*, 129 S. Ct. 1390 (2008). And the United States is a party to the Council of Europe's Convention on Cybercrime.<sup>6</sup> Article 23 of the Convention commits the parties to the Convention to cooperate:

to the widest extent possible for the purposes of investigations or proceedings concerning criminal offenses related to computer systems and data, or for the collection of evidence in electronic form of a criminal offence.

Although the Russian Federation is a not a party to this Convention, one can hardly argue that similar cooperation with a non-party state is the kind of "outrageous conduct" that would justify suppression of otherwise lawfully obtained evidence.

Furthermore, it was reasonable to provide the Russian government with copies of all of the Al Haramain USA hard drives rather than attempt to segregate out only portions of the drives for dissemination to the FSB. As the courts have noted "[g]iven the numerous ways information is stored on a computer . . . a search can be as much an art as a science." *United States v. Brooks*, 427 F.3d 1246, 1252 (10th Cir. 2005). Indeed, in computer forensic analysis it is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Council of Europe, Convention on Cybercrime, ETS No. 185, Budapest, 23 November. 2001.

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standard practice to provide an examiner with complete copies of a drive rather than bits and pieces of it. *See generally United States v. Hill*, 459 F3d 966, 974-75 (9th Cir. 2006) (discussion of technical issues concerning searching computers). Many of the files in the Al Haramain USA drives relevant to Chechnya had been deleted, and some were fragmented and had to be reassembled by forensic analysis. Many were in foreign languages, including Russian. The forensic tools used in Russia, as well as the focus of the Russians' analysis, could well be different than the tools used by our computer forensic expert in this case. Thus, it would be difficult for us to know "what parts of the hard drives" the Russians required in order for them to obtain useful intelligence from the Al Haramain USA drives to counter terrorism in Chechnya.

Finally, even if the Court considered the dissemination of this computer media with the Russian government to be somehow improper, there are no fruits of that dissemination to be suppressed at the upcoming trial. *Wong Sun v. United States*, 371 U.S. 471 (1963). The evidence from the Al Haramain USA hard drives comes from the independent forensic search of those computers by U.S. law enforcement officials, not from any search conducted by the Russians. Similarly, the evidence obtained by the United States from the Russian government which the government intends to introduce at the trial was obtained pursuant to a Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty request from the United States to Russia, not from whatever examination the Russian government may have subsequently conducted of the Al Haramain USA hard drives. Evidence obtained independent of some unconstitutional conduct cannot be suppressed. *See United States v Heckenkamp*, 482 F.3d 1142, 1148-49 (9th Cir.), *cert. denied*, 128 S. Ct. 635 (2007) (evidence seized from computer pursuant to warrant supported by independent evidence not suppressed). Consequently, the motion to suppress should be denied.

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### **Exhibit C**

Government's Amended Witness List, <u>United States v. Sedaghaty</u>, Cr. No. 05-60008-HO (Doc. No. 293) (D. Or. Mar. 17, 2010) Case 6:05-cr-60008-HO Document 293 Filed 03/17/10 Page 1 of 4 Page ID#: 2379

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)
Plaintiff,	) Case No. 05-CR-60008-HO
v.	) GOVERNMENT'S AMENDED ) WITNESS LIST
PIROUZ SEDAGHATY,	<u> </u>
Defendant.	<b>,</b>

The United States of America, through its undersigned counsel, herein submits the following list of witnesses it may call in its case-in-chief. A brief summary of expected testimony is also provided. The government reserves the right to call additional witnesses as may become necessary during the course of trial.

### **WITNESS NAME**

### **TESTIMONY**

Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc. Custodian of Records

Will authenticate records provided by the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc., in response to a grand jury subpoena.

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Al-Rajhi Bank, Custodian of Records Will authenticate records provided by

the bank

American Express Custodian of Will authenticate American Express Records records and provide background

records and provide background testimony on travelers' checks.

Bank of America Custodian of Records Will authenticate records provided by

the Bank of America in response to a

grand jury subpoena.

Barbara Cabral Will testify amount observations made

while attending functions at the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc. in

Ashland, Oregon.

Colleen Anderson, Special Agent IRS-

CID

Will review bank records and evidence obtained through a search warrant served on the premises of the Al-

Daveed Garenstein-Ross A former employee of the Al-Haramain

Islamic Foundation, Inc. Will testify about observations made during his

Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc.

employment.

Debra Ingram, Branch Manager Bank of

America

Will testify concerning bank transactions with defendant Sedaghaty and Soliman

Al-But'he.

Evan Kohlman An expert on the conflict in Chechnya.

He will provide background on the conflict, the role of the *mujahideen* in the conflict, and the funding of the *mujahideen* in Chechnya by the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation. He will also introduce material promoted by the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation on its website, and identify some of the items found on defendant Sedaghaty's

computers.

FBI Arabic Translator Will authenti

Will authenticate Arabic to English translations on government exhibits.

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FBI Russian Translator

Will authenticate Russian to English translations on government exhibits.

FinCEN Custodian of Records

Will authenticate CMIR records.

First Escrow, Inc., Custodian of Records

Will authenticate records concerning a real estate transaction.

Gregory Wooten, Internal Revenue

Service

An expert witness on tax exempt organizations in the United States. He will provide testimony concerning a return filed by defendant Sedaghaty on behalf of the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc., as well as background testimony on the requirements of a tax exempt charity.

ICE Custodian of Records

Will authenticate I-94 records.

IRS Service Center Representative

Will authenticate returns filed with the Internal Revenue Service by defendant Sedaghaty on behalf of the Al-Haramain

Islamic Foundation, Inc.

Jeremy Christianson, Computer

Specialist

A computer forensic expert. He will testify about the work he did in retrieving information from computer hard drives seized during a search warrant from the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc.

Linda Czemerys, Supervisory Special

Agent IRS-CI

Will authenticate records and computer hard drives seized during a search warrant served on the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc.

Radmila Balobina

Testimony is to be determined.

R.D. Kanan, Attorney at Law

Will provide testimony concerning a real estate transaction he engaged in on behalf of the Al-Haramain Islamic

Foundation, Inc.

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Richard Smith, Internal Revenue Service, Computer Investigative Specialist Will provide testimony concerning computer hard drives seized during a search warrant from the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc.

Sergey Ignatchenko, FSB Officer

Will testify about Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation's role in supporting the *mujahideen* in Chechnya and authenticate a conversation between the President of Al-Haramain and the commander of the *mujahideen* in Chechnya.

State of Oregon, Office of the Secretary of State, Corporation Division

Will authenticate records concerning the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc.

Thomas Wilcox, CPA

Will testify that he was hired by defendant Sedaghaty to prepare returns to be filed by Al-Haramain with the Internal Revenue Service. He will further testify concerning information he received to prepare those returns, and conversations he had with defendant and others about financial transactions.

DATED this 17th day of March, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **Exhibit D**

Transcript of Sentencing Proceedings,

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(D. Or. Sept. 27, 2011)

(excerpts)

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

No. 05-60008-2-H0

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V.

September 27, 2011

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PIROUZ SEDAGHATY, et al.,

Defendants.

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TRANSCRIPT OF SENTENCING PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE THE HONORABLE MICHAEL R. HOGAN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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There is a recommended-by-probation increase 1 2 for sophisticated or intricate, complex means. 3 Mr. Sedaghaty and Mr. al-But'he, I find, engaged in 4 especially complex and intricate conduct when they 5 withdrew the El-Fiki donation from the Bank of America 6 account in Ashland, converted it to 130 traveler's 7 checks, each for \$1,000 and one -- and another cashier's 8 check, and transported the checks by plane to a bank in 9 Saudi Arabia, that's Mr. al-But'he, where it would be 10 very difficult for authorities to track and detect the 11 money, and the purpose for which it was used, and, 12 therefore, I impose a two-level increase under specific 13 offense characteristics. 14 Now, the -- I believe the remaining increase 15 sought by the government is for application of a 16 terrorism enhancement. And there is little doubt in my 17 mind that this money went to Chechnya, and that it went 18 to the mujahideen, but I find there has been a failure 19 to prove the terrorist enhancement because of the --20 certainly by clear and convincing evidence, which I 21 think is appropriate here under the Ninth Circuit case 22 law, because of the failure to prove a link between the 23 defendant and the money being used for terrorist 24 activities. There is no doubt the Chechen mujahideen

25 were involved in terrorist activities, but there hasn't

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- 1 been that link proved for this defendant.
- What other findings do you request for the
- 3 underlying sentence?
- 4 MR. CARDANI: Judge, before Mr. Wax speaks on
- 5 the tax loss, there is an argument that under the Ninth
- 6 Circuit law that because the tax loss increases the
- 7 sentence under the guidelines fairly significantly, that
- 8 the burden of proof should be clear and convincing
- 9 evidence. Does the court so find?
- 10 THE COURT: Yes.
- 11 MR. CARDANI: I think those were all of the
- 12 guideline issues, and the others would relate to the
- 13 Rule 32 matters.
- 14 THE COURT: All right.
- MR. WAX: One moment, please, Your Honor.
- 16 THE COURT: Excuse me, yes. Go ahead.
- 17 (Discussion held off the record between Mr. Wax
- 18 and Mr. Matasar.)
- MR. WAX: Your Honor, your ruling on the
- 20 terrorism enhancement obviates the need for a number of
- 21 the other specific objections that we --
- 22 THE COURT: I'm aware of that. That's why I
- 23 didn't bother to rule on them.
- 24 MR. WAX: -- have made. I believe that there
- 25 are still three or four issues that we had raised on

### **Exhibit E**

Plaintiffs' First Set of Requests for Production of Documents Directed to Perouz Sedaghaty (Dec. 10, 2010)

### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001	03 MDL 1570 (GBD)(FM) ECF Case
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### PLAINTIFFS' FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS DIRECTED TO PEROUZ SEDAGHATY

THE MDL 1570 PLAINTIFFS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES December 10, 2010

### PLAINTIFFS' FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS DIRECTED TO PEROUZ SEDAGHATY

Plaintiffs in Kathleen Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al., Case No. 02 Civ. 6977, Thomas Burnett, Sr., et al. v. Al Baraka Inv. & Dev. Corp., et al., Case No. 03 Civ. 9849, Federal Insurance Co., et al. v. al Qaida, et al., Case No. 03 Civ. 6978, Estate of John P. O'Neill, Sr., et al. v. Al Baraka., et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 1923, Continental Casualty Co., et al. v. Al Qaeda, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 5970, Cantor Fitzgerald & Co., et al. v. Akida Bank Private Ltd, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 7065, Euro Brokers Inc., et al., v. Al Baraka, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 7279, and WTC Properties LLC, et al. v. Al Baraka, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 7280, propound and serve on Perouz Sedaghaty (hereinafter "Defendant" or "Sedaghaty"), the following Requests for Production of Documents to be answered fully and under oath, pursuant to Rule 34 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, within 30 days of their receipt.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. In producing documents and other things, Defendant is requested to furnish all documents or things in his possession, custody or control, regardless of whether such documents or things are possessed directly by Defendant or by Defendant's employees, agents, attorneys, accountants, auditors, investigators, or other representatives.
- 2. Documents are to be produced in full; redacted documents will not constitute compliance with this request. If any requested document or thing cannot be produced in full, Defendant is requested to produce it to the extent possible, indicating which document or portion of that document is being withheld and the reason that document is being withheld.
- 3. In producing documents, Defendant is requested to produce the original of each document requested together with all non-identical copies and drafts of that document. If the

original of any document cannot be located, an identical copy shall be provided in lieu thereof, and shall be legible and bound or stapled in the same manner as the original.

- 4. Documents shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or the documents shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in this request. All documents shall be produced in the file folder, envelope or other container in which the documents are kept or maintained by Defendant. If, for any reason, the container cannot be produced, produce copies of all labels or other identifying marks.
- 5. Documents shall be produced in such fashion as to identify any organization, department, branch or office in whose possession it was located and, where applicable, the natural person in whose possession it was found and the business address of each document's custodian.
  - 6. Documents attached to each other should not be separated.
- 7. If any documents requested herein have been lost, discarded, destroyed or are otherwise no longer in Defendant's possession, custody or control, they shall be identified as completely as possible including, without limitations, the following information: date of disposal, manner of disposal, reason for disposal, person authorizing the disposal and person disposing of the document.
- 8. Documents shall be produced in such fashion as to identify which request(s) they are responsive to.
- 9. Each of these requests shall be continuing. If at any time after production of these requests any information becomes available that calls for any supplement to a previous response,

provide such documents within a reasonable time period from the time when it becomes available.

- 10. If Defendant asserts a privilege or other authorized protection from disclosure with respect to any document requested herein, Defendant is required to provide a privilege log containing the following as to each such document withheld:
  - a. The type of document or information (e.g., letter, notebook, telephone conversation, etc.);
  - b. The date of the document or transaction involving the information;
  - c. The names of each author and any and all participants with respect to the information;
  - d. The names of any and all signatories of the document, if any;
  - e. The name of the document's current custodian;
  - f. The present whereabouts of the document and/or the names of all persons with personal knowledge with respect to the information; and
  - g. A statement of the grounds on which the claim of privilege rests with respect to each such document or piece of information withheld.
- 11. For the purpose of these discovery requests, except to the extent specifically indicated in the "Definitions" section of this Set of Requests, the words used herein are considered to have, and should be understood to have, their ordinary, every day meaning and Plaintiffs refer Defendant to any collegiate dictionary such as Webster's New World Dictionary, Second College Edition by Prentice Hall Press. In the event Defendant asserts that the wording which has been used is somehow vague, ambiguous, unintelligible, indecipherable, confusing or such other boiler plate objections to avoid squarely addressing the specific discovery request,

Plaintiffs refer Defendant to Webster's Dictionary for the plain meaning of the terms defined herein.

- 12. If you object to any request for production on the ground that it is overbroad, is unreasonably burdensome, or seeks information which is not relevant to the subject matter of this action, you should state what you contend to be the proper scope of the request for production and respond in accordance with what you contend is the proper scope.
- 13. Unless otherwise specified, the relevant scope of discovery will be for the time period from January 1, 1990 through the present.
- 14. Unless otherwise specified, Sedaghaty's responses to Plaintiffs' First Set of Requests for Production of Documents Directed to Perouz Sedaghaty, including any production of documents by the defendant, shall be directed to the law offices of Motley Rice at 275 Seventh Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10001, c/o Robert T. Haefele, Esq.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- 1. The terms "document" or "documents" are defined to be synonymous in meaning and equal in scope to the usage of this term in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 34(a), including, without limitation, electronic or computerized data compilations. A draft or non-identical copy is a separate document within the meaning of this term.
- 2. The term "Plaintiffs" shall refer to Plaintiffs in Kathleen Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al., Case No. 02 Civ. 6977, Thomas Burnett, Sr., et al. v. Al Baraka Inv. & Dev. Corp., et al., Case No. 03 Civ. 9849, Federal Insurance Co., et al. v. al Qaida, et al., Case No. 03 Civ. 6978, Estate of John P. O'Neill, Sr., et al. v. Al Baraka., et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 1923, Continental Casualty Co., et al. v. Al Qaeda, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 5970, Cantor Fitzgerald & Co., et al. v. Akida Bank Private Ltd, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 7065, Euro Brokers

Inc., et al., v. Al Baraka, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 7279, and WTC Properties LLC, et al. v. Al Baraka, et al., Case No. 04 Civ. 7280.

- 3. The terms "Defendant," "You," "Your," and "Sedaghaty" shall refer to Perouz Sedaghaty (a/k/a Pete Seda; Pete Seda Ghaty; Perouz Seda Ghaty; Pirouz Sedaghaty; and Abu Yunus).
- 4. The term "communication" means the transmittal of information (in the form of facts, ideas, inquiries or otherwise).
- 5. The term "person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal or government entity or association.
- 6. The term "concerning" means relating to, referring to, describing, evidencing or constituting.
  - 7. The terms "all" and "each" shall be construed as all and each.
- 8. The connectives "and" and "or" shall be construed either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of the discovery request all responses that might otherwise be construed to be outside of its scope.
  - 9. The use of the singular form of any word includes the plural and vice versa.
- 10. The term "Contribution" shall mean the giving, bestowing, granting, awarding, bequeathing, and/or providing of money, checks, services, logistical or administrative support, assets, rights, securities, real estate or any goods, tangible or intangible, including the giving of any "zakat."

- 11. The terms "Kingdom of Saudi Arabia" or "KSA" shall mean the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, including any agency, instrumentality, organ, political subdivision, official, or agent of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- 12. The terms "Al Haramain-USA" or "AHIF-USA" shall mean all Al Haramain Islamic Foundation offices in the United States (a/k/a Al Haramain Islamic Foundation, Inc.; Al Haramain Islamic Foundation; Al Haramain Foundation; Al Haramain; and any predecessors and/or offices which are currently closed including the Qur'an Foundation), including without limitation, any officer, director, trustee, employee, attorney, consultant, accountant, agent, alter ego, volunteer, or representative acting on the Al Haramain-USA's behalf.
- 13. The terms "Al Haramain-Saudi Arabia" or "AHIF-SA" shall mean Al Haramain Islamic Foundation—Saudi Arabia and all branch offices, including without limitation, any officer, director, trustee, employee, attorney, consultant, accountant, agent, alter ego, volunteer, or representative acting on the Al Haramain-Saudi Arabia's behalf.
- 14. The terms "Islamic Center of Springfield, Missouri" or "ICSM" shall mean the Islamic Center of Springfield, Missouri located at 2151 East Division Street, Springfield, Missouri, including without limitation, any officer, director, trustee, employee, attorney, consultant, accountant, agent, alter ego, volunteer, religious leader, member of the congregation, or representative acting on the Islamic Center of Springfield, Missouri's behalf.

### PLAINTIFFS' FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS <u>DIRECTED TO PEROUZ SEDAGHATY</u>

1. Please provide all documents governing, describing, detailing, or otherwise relating to the relationship between You and the Quran Foundation, including without limitation, all documents relating to all positions You held within the Quran Foundation.

#### ANSWER:

2. Please provide all documents illustrating, describing or otherwise relating to the Quran Foundation's formation and organizational structure, the date of incorporation, the state of incorporation, the duration of the Quran Foundation's existence, any documents relating to the Quran Foundation's initial capitalization and subsequent funding, and/or any other writing relating to the creation or purpose of the Quran Foundation.

### ANSWER:

3. Please provide all documents relating to Your role in the organization, funding, oversight, supervision, management, and/or control over the Quran Foundation's operations, including without limitation, selection of committee/board members or other officers, internal and external auditing or due diligence, budgeting, appointment and termination of personnel, accounting, banking and financial transactions, fundraising, and distribution of financial and non-monetary support to charitable designees.

### ANSWER:

4. Please provide all documents relating to the administration, governance, and long-term strategic decision-making of the Quran Foundation, including but not limited to, articles of incorporation, by-laws, corporate charters, mission statements, constitutions, documents relating to the duties and powers of any boards and/or committees, statements of purpose, and/or any other related writing.

### **ANSWER:**

5. Please provide all documents relating to the Quran Foundation's dissolution, including without limitation, all documents detailing, describing, or summarizing the disposition of the Quran Foundation's assets following dissolution.

### ANSWER:

6. Please provide all documents governing, describing, detailing, or otherwise relating to the relationship between You and Al Haramain-USA ("AHIF-USA") and Al Haramain-Saudi Arabia ("AHIF-SA"), including without limitation, all documents relating to all positions you held or hold within AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA.

### ANSWER:

7. Please provide all documents relating to Your role in the organization, funding, oversight, supervision, management, and/or control over AHIF-USA's and/or AHIF-SA's operations, including without limitation, selection of committee/board members or other officers,

internal and external auditing or due diligence, budgeting, appointment and termination of personnel, accounting, banking and financial transactions, fundraising, and distribution of financial and non-monetary support from AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA to charitable designees.

### ANSWER:

8. Please provide all documents relating to Your role in the oversight, supervision, management, and/or control over AHIF-USA's and AHIF-SA's various committees, including without limitation, the Continuous Charity Committee, African Committee, Asian Committee, Da'wah and Sponsorship Committee, Masjid Committee, Seasonal Projects Committee, Doctor's Committee, European Committee, Internet and the American Committee, the Domestic Committee, Zakaat Committee, and the Worldwide Revenue Promotion Committee.

#### ANSWER:

9. Please provide all documents relating to Your supervision, management, control of, or distribution of any of AHIF-USA's and AHIF-SA's funds, including without limitation, all documents relating to Your duties and responsibilities to determine and/or make recommendations as to which charities, humanitarian organizations, individuals, or entities should receive financial and/or non-monetary support from AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA and the purpose for such disbursements.

### **ANSWER:**

10. Please provide all documents relating, in whole or in part, to Your involvement in the distribution of funds on behalf of AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA to conflicts regions in Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Chechnya, Egypt, Ethiopia, Europe, Indonesia, Kashmir, Kenya, Kosovo, Malaysia, Pakistan, Palestine, the Philippines, Sudan, Somalia, Tanzania, Turkey, and Yemen.

### ANSWER:

11. Please provide all documents relating to all accounts in United States banking institutions ("U.S. Bank Accounts") established or held in the name of, on behalf of and/or for the benefit of You, any account for any entity in which You held any beneficial interest, and/or any account over which You had signatory authority or had any actual or potential beneficial interest. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, and/or e-mails, that refer to, relate to, or reflect communications between or among You and the United States banking institutions, documents detailing the establishment of and/or closing of the account(s), suspicious activity and/or transaction reports, account numbers, monthly account statements, annual account statements, account notices, deposits, withdrawals, deposit slips, check stubs, cleared or canceled checks, cashier checks, money orders, debit/credit memos, financial ledgers, journals, investment records, real estate records, records of assets, loan records, audit work papers, audit reports, wire transfers, and any documentation showing the source(s) and/or destination(s) of any funds deposited into or withdrawn from those accounts.

### ANSWER:

12. Please provide all documents relating to all accounts in foreign banking institutions ("Foreign Bank Accounts") established or held in the name of, on behalf of and/or for the benefit of You, any account for any entity in which You held any beneficial interest, and/or any account over which You had signatory authority or had any actual or potential beneficial interest. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, and/or e-mails, that refer to, relate to, or reflect communications between or among You and the foreign banking institutions, documents detailing the establishment of and/or closing of the account(s), suspicious activity and/or transaction reports, account numbers, monthly account statements, annual account statements, account notices, deposits, withdrawals, deposit slips, check stubs, cleared or canceled checks, cashier checks, money orders, debit/credit memos, financial ledgers, journals, investment records, real estate records, records of assets, loan records, audit work papers, audit reports, wire transfers, and any documentation showing the source(s) and/or destination(s) of any funds deposited into or withdrawn from those accounts.

#### ANSWER:

13. Please provide all documents relating to all U.S. and Foreign bank accounts established or held in the name of, on behalf of and/or for the benefit of the AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA (including Bank of America Account Nos. 2880311561 and 003473324381), including without limitation, any Al Haramain accounts over which you had signatory authority. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, and/or e-mails, that refer to, relate to, or reflect communications between or among You, Al Haramain, and the U.S. or foreign banking institutions, documents detailing the establishment

of and/or closing of the account(s), suspicious activity and/or transaction reports, account numbers, monthly account statements, annual account statements, account notices, deposits, withdrawals, deposit slips, check stubs, cleared or canceled checks, cashier checks, money orders, debit/credit memos, financial ledgers, journals, investment records, real estate records, records of assets, loan records, audit work papers, audit reports, wire transfers, and any documentation showing the source(s) and/or destination(s) of any funds deposited into or withdrawn from those accounts.

#### ANSWER:

14. Please provide all documents relating to any investigation, inquiry, review, audit, or analysis conducted by any United States state or federal governmental entity, agency and/or department, or any United States-based regulatory body, law enforcement agency, grand jury, bank, financial institution, accountant, or auditor (collectively "United States Investigator"), any foreign government or any foreign-based regulatory body, law enforcement agency, grand jury, bank, financial institution, accountant, or auditor (collectively "Foreign Investigator"), or by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia or any Saudi Arabian-based regulatory body, law enforcement agency, grand jury, bank, financial institution, accountant, or auditor (collectively "KSA Investigator"), which references or addresses any of the accounts identified in, and/or in response to, Requests Nos. 11-13 above.

15. Please provide copies of all documents that have been seized by, or produced by You, AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA to, any United States Investigator, any Foreign Investigator, or any KSA Investigator, which references or addresses any of the accounts identified in, and/or in response to, Requests Nos. 11-13 above.

## ANSWER:

16. Please provide all documents relating to any investigation, audit, analysis, examination, survey, or review of the accounts identified in, and/or in response to, Requests Nos. 11-13 above, conducted either by You, AHIF-USA, AHIF-SA, and/or any third party, including but not limited to, any bank, financial institution, government agency, accountant, or auditor. Such documents shall include any audit, analysis, examination, survey, or review ordered, conducted, supervised, overseen, or reviewed by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and/or the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency ("SAMA").

## ANSWER:

17. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, AHIF-USA, AHIF-SA, the KSA and/or SAMA, which references or addresses any of the accounts identified in, and/or in response to, Requests Nos. 11-13 above. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

18. Please provide all documents relating to any business, employment, financial, charitable, religious, personal or other relationship between You and Aqeel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, and Mansour al Kadi.

### ANSWER:

19. Please provide all documents relating to the United States Treasury Department's investigation and designations of Aquel Abdulaziz al Aqil and Soliman al Buthe as Specially Designated Global Terrorists ("SDGTs") under Executive Order 13224. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all documents identifying all accounts, assets, and monies that were seized and/or frozen following the designations.

## ANSWER:

20. Please provide all documents You sent to, and/or received from Aquel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, and Mansour al Kadi, including without limitation, all documents relating to the transfer of funds between You and those individuals. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

21. Please provide all documents relating to any accounts in any banking or financial institution You currently hold, or have held, jointly with or on behalf of Aqeel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, and Mansour al Kadi, and/or any such accounts over which You currently hold, or have held, signatory authority.

### ANSWER:

22. Please provide all documents relating to any investigations or inquiries conducted by any United States Investigator, any Foreign Investigator, and any KSA Investigator into financial transactions linked to accounts You currently hold, or have held, jointly with or on behalf of Aqeel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, and Mansour al Kadi, including any such accounts over which You currently hold, or have held, signatory authority.

### ANSWER:

23. Please provide all documents relating to the resignations of Aqeel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, and Mansour al Kadi from the AHIF-USA Board of Directors, including without limitation, all documents detailing, describing, or summarizing Your reasons and/or rationale for seeking their resignations. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all documents relating to your travel to Saudi Arabia to request and obtain their resignations.

24. Please provide all documents relating to the United States Treasury Department's investigation and designation of AHIF-SA in its entirety under Executive Order 13224, including without limitation, the designation of AHIF-SA's branch offices in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Somalia, Indonesia, Kenya, Tanzania, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Albania, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Netherlands, and the Union of Comoros, for providing "financial, material and logistical support to Usama bin Laden's (UBL's) al-Qaida network and other terrorist organizations." Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all documents identifying all accounts, assets, and monies that were seized and/or frozen following the designations.

### ANSWER:

25. Please provide all documents relating to any investigation or inquiry undertaken by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia concerning AHIF-USA's and/or AHIF-SA's alleged support for, or connections to, alleged terrorist organizations, groups, individuals, or activities, including without limitation, any investigation or inquiry undertaken by the Saudi intelligence agency, the Mahabith.

#### ANSWER:

26. Please provide all documents relating to the more than forty (40) Al Haramain-affiliated individuals arrested as a result of investigations undertaken by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Mahabith.

27. Please provide all documents relating to the 2003 grand jury subpoena served upon AHIF-USA for books, records, and other information. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, copies of all documents and things that were produced to and/or seized by the U.S. Government in response to the subpoena.

#### ANSWER:

28. Please provide all documents relating to the February 2004 raid of AHIF-USA's office(s) in Ashland, Oregon by U.S. authorities, or any investigation by any governmental authority relating to AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, copies of all documents and things that were seized by the U.S. Government.

### ANSWER:

29. Please provide all documents relating to the United States Treasury Department's investigation and September 9, 2004 designation of AHIF-USA as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist entity under Executive Order 13224, for "direct links between the U.S. branch and Usama bin Laden." Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all documents identifying all accounts, assets, and monies that were seized and/or frozen following the designation.

30. Please provide all copies of any and all documents and things that have been seized by, or produced by AHIF-USA to, any United States Investigator, any Foreign Investigator, any KSA Investigator, and/or international bodies concerning AHIF-USA's and AHIF-SA's alleged support for, or connections to, alleged terrorist organizations, groups, individuals, or activities.

#### ANSWER:

31. Please provide copies of all documents and things that were in Your possession and which were seized by, or produced by You to, the U.S. Government between September 11, 2001 and the present.

### **ANSWER:**

32. Please provide copies of any and all documents and things that have been seized by, or produced by You to, any United States Investigator, any Foreign Investigator, any KSA Investigator, and/or international bodies concerning Your alleged support for, or connections to, alleged terrorist or criminal organizations, groups, individuals, or activities.

33. Please provide all documents relating to the \$150,000 wire transfer from Dr. Mahmoud T. El Fiki to You and/or AHIF-USA on or about February 24, 2000. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all banking and financial records, wire transfer records, and all documentation showing the source(s) and destination(s) of the funds.

### ANSWER:

34. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, Dr. Mahmoud T. El Fiki, Aquel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, Mansour al Kadi, Abdul Qaadir Abdul Khaaliq, AHIF-USA, and/or AHIF-SA, which references or addresses the \$150,000 wire transfer. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

## ANSWER:

35. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, Aquel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, Mansour al Kadi, Abdul Qaadir Abdul Khaaliq, AHIF-USA, and/or AHIF-SA, which references or addresses the conflict facing Muslims in Chechnya. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

36. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, Aquel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, Mansour al Kadi, Abdul Qaadir Abdul Khaaliq, AHIF-USA, and/or AHIF-SA, which references or addresses mujahideen fighters in Chechnya. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

### ANSWER:

37. Please provide all documents relating to the one hundred thirty (130) \$1,000 American Express Travelers Checks and the \$21,000 cashier's check obtained by You and Soliman all Buthe at the Bank of America in Ashland, Oregon. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, copies of each of the Travelers Checks and cashier's check, and any receipts relating to the transactions.

# ANSWER:

38. Please provide copies of the two agreements signed by You and Soliman al Buthe after obtaining the American Express Travelers Checks and the cashier's check from Bank of America, regarding the disposition of the monies.

39. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communications regarding the conflict in Chechnya, including without limitation, all communications addressing or referencing: (i) Your participation in translating Internet postings about attacks and other terrorist activities carried out by mujahideen fighters in Chechnya; (ii) Your expressed desire to fight alongside mujahideen fighters in Chechnya; (iii) the intention of mujahideen fighters to form an Islamic state in Chechnya; and (iv) AHIF-USA's and/or AHIF-SA's role in providing material support or resources to mujahideen fighters in Chechnya, including without limitation, the support of training camps in and/or around Chechnya, recruitment, training, transportation, lodging, the acquisition, trafficking, and/or smuggling of weapons and arms such as grenade launchers, sniper rifles, rockets, mortars, rifles, dynamite, bombs and other weapons, and the provision of boots, tents, and uniforms. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

## ANSWER:

40. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communications to and/or from mujahideen fighters and/or members of al Qaida regarding the conflict in Chechnya, including without limitation, all communications relating to battlefield updates and promujahideen propaganda. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

41. Please provide all documents relating to Your indictment, trial, and conviction for conspiracy and tax fraud in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon for Your role in transmitting nearly \$150,000 to mujahideen fighters in Chechnya. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all pleadings, motions, memoranda, witness lists, exhibits, orders, opinions, and other submissions in *United States v. Pirouz Sedaghaty*, Case No. 05-CR-60008-HO.

#### **ANSWER:**

42. Please provide all documents relating to Your travel outside of the United States following September 11, 2001, including without limitation, any and all trips to Saudi Arabia. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, travel records, receipts, ticket stubs, and any documentation detailing, describing, or summarizing trip destinations, the dates of those trips, and the purpose of those trips.

### ANSWER:

43. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You and Soliman al Buthe following September 11, 2001, including without limitation, any and all communications relating to: (i) trips to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; and (ii) Your legal representation in all civil and criminal proceedings in the United States.

44. Please provide all documents illustrating, describing or otherwise relating to AHIF-USA's formation and organizational structure, the date of incorporation, the state of incorporation, the duration of AHIF-USA's existence, any documents relating to AHIF-USA's initial capitalization and subsequent funding, and/or any other writing relating to the creation or purpose of AHIF-USA.

### ANSWER:

45. Please provide all documents relating to the administration, governance, and long-term strategic decision-making of AHIF-USA, including but not limited to, articles of incorporation, by-laws, corporate charters, mission statements, constitutions, documents relating to the duties and powers of any boards and/or committees, statements of purpose, and/or any other related writing.

### ANSWER:

46. Please provide all documents relating to the establishment, duties, obligations, objectives, membership, composition and/or authority of any committees, boards and/or internal bodies of AHIF-USA.

47. Please provide all documents identifying each officer, director, trustee, board member, committee member, employee, and/or volunteer of AHIF-USA. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, their personnel files.

#### ANSWER:

48. Please provide all documents relating to any and all meetings of officers, directors, trustees, managers, boards, committees, and/or internal bodies of AHIF-USA, including without limitation, any agendas or meeting minutes.

### ANSWER:

49. Please provide all financial statements, balance sheets, income statements and annual reports for AHIF-USA.

### ANSWER:

50. Please provide all documents relating to all filings submitted to any local, state, or federal agency by AHIF-USA, including without limitation, the Internal Revenue Service or the Securities Exchange Commission. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, tax returns, tax records, Form 990's, Form 1023's, CMIR's, UCC filings, liens, judgments, and any correspondence concerning AHIF-USA's tax-exempt status.

51. Please provide all documents relating to any audit, analysis, examination, survey, or review of AHIF-USA's bank accounts, investments, assets, capital, and/or financial affairs, conducted either by employees of AHIF-USA, AHIF-SA, or any third party, including but not limited to, any bank, financial institution, government agency, accountant, or auditor. Responsive documents shall include any audit, analysis, examination, survey, or review ordered, conducted, supervised, overseen, or reviewed by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and/or SAMA.

## ANSWER:

52. From the period beginning January 1, 1990 through September 11, 2001, please provide all documents identifying projects undertaken or financed by AHIF-USA.

### ANSWER:

53. From the period beginning January 1, 1990 through September 11, 2001, please provide all documents summarizing the funds allocated by AHIF-USA to projects undertaken or financed by AHIF-USA.

#### ANSWER:

54. Please provide all documents relating to any fundraising event and/or conference promoted, sponsored, attended, organized, managed, or supervised by AHIF-USA. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, advertisements, promotional materials, invitations to the event, press releases issued in connection with the event, lists of sponsors and

attendees, documents identifying the purpose of the fundraiser or conference, materials distributed at the event, written receipts and/or records of the monies collected, written receipts and/or records of how those monies were used and/or distributed, lists of donors, lists of speakers, videos or slides shown at the event, and transcripts, broadcasts, audiotape and/or videotapes of the event.

#### ANSWER:

55. Please provide all documents relating to any standards, procedures, protocols, and/or guidelines adopted and followed by AHIF-USA by which charitable contributions are either made to and/or raised by AHIF-USA, how those contributions are collected and accounted for, how it is determined to which charitable designees financial or other forms of support should be distributed, the means by which financial or other forms of support are subsequently disbursed to charitable designees, and the means to ensure that such distributions are being used for charitable purposes.

## ANSWER:

56. Please provide all documents relating to the involvement of any official, trustee, committee, or board associated with AHIF's headquarters in Saudi Arabia in determining how funds collected by AHIF-USA should be allocated and/or in the distribution of funds.

57. Please provide all summaries of contributions received and/or disbursements made by AHIF-USA.

### ANSWER:

58. Please provide all information contained in any database maintained by AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA, identifying or relating to the sources of funds contributed to AHIF-USA, and/or the destination of funds distributed by AHIF-USA.

### ANSWER:

59. Please provide all documents governing, describing, detailing, or otherwise relating to the relationship between AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, meeting minutes, notes, conference materials, educational materials, organizational diagrams and charts, manuals, e-mails, and web-based messages.

### ANSWER:

60. Please provide all documents AHIF-USA sent to, and/or received from AHIF-SA, including without limitation, all documents relating to the transfer of funds between AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA.

61. Please provide all directives, instructions, and/or communications sent by any officer, director, trustee, board member, committee member, manager, agent, employee, or representative of AHIF-SA to AHIF-USA.

#### ANSWER:

62. Please provide all documents relating to any and all delegations, envoys, or representatives sent on behalf of AHIF-SA to AHIF-USA's offices in the United States. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all documents detailing, describing, or summarizing the identities of the AHIF-SA's delegations, envoys, or representatives, the dates of their visit(s), and the purpose for the visit(s).

### ANSWER:

63. Please provide all annual, semi-annual, periodic, and monthly reports submitted by AHIF-USA to AHIF headquarters in Saudi Arabia concerning its finances and operations, including without limitation, annual reports, balance sheets, financial statements, bank account summaries, and audits. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, reports, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

64. Please provide all documents relating to the role of any official, trustee, committee, or board associated with AHIF's headquarters in Saudi Arabia in the fundraising efforts of AHIF-USA.

### ANSWER:

65. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communications between AHIF-USA, AHIF-SA and/or the KSA regarding anti-terrorism policies, practices or procedures. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

## ANSWER:

66. Please provide all documents relating to any standards, procedures, protocols, and/or guidelines adopted by AHIF-USA concerning the acceptance and distribution of monetary donations, which were implemented and used, or are currently being used, to prevent or deter financial crimes such as money laundering or the facilitation of terrorism financing.

## ANSWER:

67. Please provide all documents in relating in any way to AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA meetings, correspondence, statements, or other communications concerning terrorist financing.

68. Please provide a list of all publications, newspapers, newsletters, books, reports, pamphlets, videotapes, audiotapes, and/or websites published, authored, and/or financed in whole or in part, by AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA.

## ANSWER:

69. Please provide copies of all documents authored, published, or disseminated by You, AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA to Muslim prisoners.

### ANSWER:

70. Please provide all documents relating to AHIF-USA's purchase of the property located at 2151 East Division Street, Springfield, Missouri, including without limitation, all documents detailing, describing, or summarizing the source(s) and amount(s) of funds used to purchase the property.

#### ANSWER:

71. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, Aquel Abdulaziz al Aqil, Soliman al Buthe, Mansour al Kadi, AHIF-USA, and/or AHIF-SA, which references or addresses the property located at 2151 East Division Street, Springfield, Missouri. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

72. Please provide all documents governing, describing, detailing, or otherwise relating to the relationship between or among You, AHIF-USA, AHIF-SA, and the Islamic Center of Springfield, Missouri ("ICSM") (located at 2151 East Division Street).

### ANSWER:

73. Please provide all documents relating to Your role, and/or the roles of AHIF-USA and AHIF-SA, in the organization, funding, oversight, supervision, management, and/or control over ICSM's operations, including without limitation, selection and oversight of committee/board members or other officers, internal and external auditing or due diligence, budgeting, appointment and termination of personnel, accounting, banking and financial transactions, fundraising, implementation of religious, educational, and social activities, and distribution of financial and non-monetary support to charitable designees. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, the ICSM constitution, articles of incorporation, by-laws, and any agreements between ICSM, AHIF-USA, and/or AHIF-SA.

### ANSWER:

74. Please provide all documents relating to any and all trips You made to the ICSM. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, all documents detailing, describing, or summarizing the dates of Your visits and the purpose for Your visits.

75. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, the ICSM, and/or members of the ICSM, regarding complaints expressed by members of the congregation that Sheikh Abu Salman Deva-ud-Deen Eberle exhibited radical and/or inappropriate behavior and ideology. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

### ANSWER:

76. Please provide all documents relating to any written or oral communication between or among You, AHIF-USA, and/or AHIF-SA regarding the ICSM, including without limitation, any and all communications relating to Sheikh Abu Salman Deva-ud-Deen Eberle. Responsive documents shall include, but are not limited to, correspondence, letters, memoranda, notes, emails, facsimiles or otherwise.

## ANSWER:

77. Please provide all documents governing, describing, detailing, or otherwise relating to the relationship between You and the persons and entities identified in Attachment A.

78. Please provide all documents You sent to, and/or received from the persons and entities identified in Attachment A, including without limitation, all documents relating to the transfer of funds between You and those persons and entities.

### ANSWER:

79. Please provide all documents relating to any accounts in any banking or financial institution You currently hold, or have held, jointly with or on behalf of the persons and entities identified in Attachment A, and/or any accounts over which You hold or have held signatory authority.

### ANSWER:

80. Please provide all documents relating to any formal or informal record keeping and document retention policies, practices, or procedures maintained by AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA.

### ANSWER:

81. Please provide all documents relating to any formal or informal document destruction policies, practices, or procedures maintained by AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA, including without limitation, descriptions of all documents destroyed by AHIF-USA and/or AHIF-SA.

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82. Please provide all documents relating to any understanding or agreement between

You and any other individual, entity, and/or government, whereby such party has agreed to pay,

indemnify, or reimburse You for any costs associated with defending this lawsuit and/or the

criminal action brought against You by the United States (United States v. Pirouz Sedaghaty,

Case No. 05-CR-60008-HO), including legal fees and/or payments to satisfy part or all of a

judgment that may be entered against You. Such documents shall include, but are not limited to,

contracts, agreements, insurance policies, term sheets, or other records.

**ANSWER:** 

Dated: December 10, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

THE MDL 1570 PLAINTIFFS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true copy of the Plaintiffs' First Set of Requests for Production of Documents Directed to Perouz Sedaghaty was served via electronic mail and U.S. first-class mail, postage prepaid, this 10th day of December 2010, upon:

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

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